
MSFC Safety ***Bulletins***

EWS AMPLIFIER DAMAGED

The Emergency Warning System (EWS) amplifier at Building 4765 was damaged by an electrical short circuit. Loss was estimated at \$1,073. The cause was unauthorized personnel removing an EWS speaker and leaving the wires dangling against a steel beam. The wires eventually shorted. It appeared the speaker was removed by personnel installing a boom crane on the same beam.

LESSONS LEARNED

Amplifiers are extremely sensitive to electrical shorts in speaker wiring. Any work on EWS or other communications equipment/wiring must be coordinated with the communications and computer services organization (Computer Sciences Corporation) by calling their customer support center at 544-1771.